

REMARKS

By this amendment, claims 1-40 are pending, in which 1, 26 and 37 are currently amended, and claims 39 and 40 are newly presented. No new matter is introduced.

The Office Action mailed August 27, 2004 rejected claims 1-19, 26-28 and 37 under 35 U.S.C. § 102 as anticipated by *Elliot* (US 6,473,097).

Applicants appreciate the indication that claims 20-25, 29-36 and 38 are allowed.

To advance prosecution, Applicants have amended independent claims 1, 26 and 37. Independent claim 1, as amended, now recites “an order region for supporting ordering of one of the voice telecommunications offerings, one of the Internet telecommunications offerings, or one of the mobile telecommunications offerings.” Amended independent claim 26 recites “generating an order region for supporting ordering of one of the voice telecommunications offerings, one of the Internet telecommunications offerings, or one of the mobile telecommunications offerings.” Independent claim 37 now recites “means for generating an order region for supporting ordering of one of the voice telecommunications offerings, one of the Internet telecommunications offerings, or one of the mobile telecommunications offerings.”

By contrast, the sole reference of *Elliot* discloses, on col. 6: 23-34, a graphical interface at the Point-of-Presence (POP) for “capturing” a subscriber. This interface allows the operator to provide multiple services, including connection to the Internet. As a subscriber device enters a cell serviced by Mobile Switching Center (MSC) Intranet, the MSC recognizes the presence of the device and initiates the registration process. As the device moves into a cell, the registration and authentication process for the device occurs.

Elliot provides no teaching or suggestion of “an order region for supporting ordering of one of the voice telecommunications offerings, one of the Internet telecommunications offerings, or one of the mobile telecommunications offerings,” as positively claimed. The screenshot of

FIG. 9 is devoid of this feature. As anticipation under 35 U.S.C. § 102 requires that each and every element of the claim be disclosed in a prior art reference, based on the foregoing, it is clear that *Elliot* fails to anticipate amended independent claims 1, 26, and 37.

Because dependent claims 2-19, 27, 27 depend from independent claims 1 and 26, they are also in condition for allowance for at least the reasons for the allowability of claims 1 and 26.

Turning now to newly added claims 39 and 40, independent claim 39 is drawn to a method for on-line ordering of telecommunication services, and recites "an order region supporting ordering, by the customer or the potential customer, one of the voice service offering, the packet data network data network service offering, or the mobile service offering." This features is absent from *Elliot*. Thus, independent claim 39 and claim 40 depending therefrom should be indicated as allowable.

Therefore, the present application, as amended, overcomes the rejection of record and is in condition for allowance. Favorable consideration is respectfully requested. If any unresolved issues remain, it is respectfully requested that the Examiner telephone the undersigned attorney at (703) 425-8508 so that such issues may be resolved as expeditiously as possible.

Respectfully Submitted,

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